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Application Number: 10/026,711) Examiner
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CHARACTER)
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COVER LETTER

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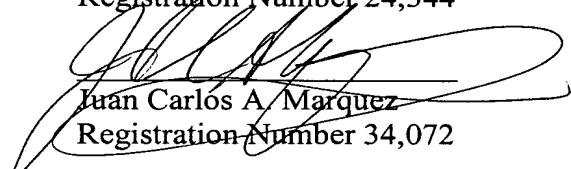
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 25, 2006, the period for response to which is set to expire on December 26, 2006, since December 25, 2006 is a federal holiday. Please amend the above-identified application as follows: